GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

Public Services – Water Resources Department - Disciplinary action initiated for the irregularities in electrical works for illumination of Sir Arthur Cotton Barrage and in Flood Conservation Works pertaining to the Godavari River Floods of August, 2006 against Sri T.Kesava Rao, AE (Retd.) and 3 others - Departmental Proceedings issued under Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CC & A) Rules, 1991 - Further Action dropped - Orders Issued.

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It was brought to the notice of the Government that certain irregularities have been taken place in execution of repairs/replacement of electrical panel boards on Sir Arthur Cotton Barrage and in Flood conservation works pertaining to Godavari River Floods of 8/2006 in the reference 1st read above. In the ref. 2nd read above the J.S.(P), I&CAD Dept., conducted enquiry and submitted a report to the Government.

2. Based on the preliminary enquiry, it was decided to initiate departmental action against the erring officials. In the references 3rd to 6th read above, Articles of charges have been issued against (1) Sri T.Kesava Rao, AE, (2) Sri D.Radha Krishna, AE, (3) Sri D.J.Augustine, EE and (4) Sri K.Seetharama Swamy, SE. Further AOCs were issued against (1) Sri D.Hema Raju, EE (Retd.) (2) Sri V.S.Krishna Prasad, EE (3) Sri I.Satyanarayana, DEE (4) Sri S.Venkataratnam, DEE, (5) Sri A.Mallikarjuna Rao, SO & AE (6) Sri B.K.V.Ranga Rao, AE, (7) Sri M.Sivannarayana, AE along with others. The charged Officers have submitted their written statement of Defence.

3. On the Written Statement of Defence of the Charged Officers Government have appointed Dr.Subrendu Bhattacharya, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges in the G.O.7th read above and Sri M.A.Farooki Dy.ENC, Hyderabad was appointed as Presenting Officer vide ref.8th read above.

4. The Inquiry Officer has submitted his report in the ref.9th read above. The inquiry report was communicated to the charged Officers vide Memo.10th read above.

5. After examination of the findings of Inquiry authority Government have dropped action against (1) Sri D.Hema Raju, EE (Retd.) (2) Sri V.S.Krishna Prasad, EE (3) Sri I.Satyanarayana, DEE (4) Sri S.Venkataratnam, DEE, (5) Sri A.Mallikarjuna Rao, SO & AE (6) B.K.V.Ranga Rao, AE, (7) Sri M.Sivannarayana, AE vide G.O.12th read above.

6. Further the charged Officers (1) Sri T.Kesava Rao, AE, (2) Sri D.Radha Krishna, AE, (3) Sri D.J.Augustine, EE and (4) Sri K.Seetharama Swamy, SE in their representations in ref.11th read above have contended that they are not associated with any flood works relating to Polavaram Island Project and Gowthami Right Bank during the floods in August, 2006 and the CE, GDS, Dowlaiswaram in his letter 13th above, has confirmed the same. The CE, GDS, Dowlaiswaram in his letter dated.5.2.2016 has reported that the responsible Officers are (1) Sri M.Mallikarjuna Rao, AE (now retired) (2) Sri S.Venkata Ratnam, DEE(now retired) and (3) Sri B.Hema Raju, EE(now retired).

7. After careful examination of the entire matter, Government have decided and accordingly, hereby drop further action against (1) Sri T.Kesava Rao, AE, (2) Sri D.Radha Krishna, AE, (3) Sri D.J.Augustine, EE and (4) Sri K.Seetharama Swamy, SE in respect of the article of charges issued against them vide G.Os.3rd to 6th read above, in electrical works for illumination of Sir Arthur Cotton Barrage and in Flood Conservation Works pertaining to the Godavari River Floods of August, 2006. Further Government also hereby drop

further action against (1) Sri S.Venkataratnam, DEE(now retd.) (2) Sri M.Mallikarjuna Rao,AE(now retd.) and (3) D.Hema Raju, EE(now retd.) subject to condition to recover any loss caused to the Government from their pensionery benefits, since they were out of purview of any action as per Rule 9(2)(b)(ii) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Engineer-In-Chief (Administration Wing), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR, IAS

SECRETARY TO GOVT

To

(1) Sri T.Kesava Rao, AE, (Retd.) (2) Sri D.Radha Krishna, AE, (3) Sri D.J.Augustine, EE and (4) Sri K.Seetharama Swamy, SE through the Engineer-In-Chief (Administration wing), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada.

The Engineer-In-Chief (A.W), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada.

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WR (Ser.I and II) Department.

The Accountant General, AP (Amaravati), Hyderabad.

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